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1. In late August 1951, Volkspolizei "Dienststelle" [] in the Menne Kaserne in Erfurt had between 1,800 and 2,000 police and 4 or 5 men were recruited daily in preceding weeks. 25X1
2. The unit had a heavy weapons equipment of about eight guns of various calibers. Three were Soviet guns which were kept under lock. The 7th Sonderabteilung had 1 T-34 tank, 1 small armored reconnaissance car and 1 armored ammunition mover. 25X1
3. Except for the signal Buege of the individual Kommandos and the 2d Sonderabteilung (signal), which participated in an exercise in Brandenburg, the unit did not engage in any exercises and did not go on bivouac. The Drosselberg (hill) is used for artillery practices.
4. In May or June 1951, VP Rat Pitterlich (fnu) was detached to organize a new unit at the former Panzer Kaserne on Drosselberg. The barracks installation, which includes three or four reconstructed buildings, is off limits. Pitterlich was commander of a squadron with the German Air Force. *
5. The PK officer of the VPD said that the Volkspolizei would be proclaimed People's Army the moment rearmament in western Germany becomes reality. He said that the police terminology, now in use, would then be replaced by military terminology.
6. Officers of the VPD included:

Rank and Name

VP Inspekteur Smollarz (fnu)
VP Kommandeur Schaefer (fnu)
VP Oberrat Winkler (fnu)
VP Rat Hoedt (fnu)
VP Rat Barthel (fnu)
VP Kommandeur Sommer (fnu)
VP Rat Lewicki (fnu)
VP Rat Wiegand (fnu)
VP Oberkommissar Buechner (fnu)
VP Rat Walter Schnabel

Appointment

Commanding officer, bearer of the VP medal, who was a Soviet prisoner of war
Deputy commanding officer and PK officer
Office in the PK section
Director of training
Supply officer
Chief of staff
Assistant to chief of staff
SSD liaison officer
SED secretary
Commanding officer of 1st Kommando

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Rank and Name

Appointment

VP Rat Herbig (fnu)
VP Kommissar Lange (fnu)
VP Rat Angelroth (fnu)

Chief of staff of 1st Kommando
Commanding officer of 2d Kommando
FK officer of 3d Kommando.

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